

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1055

By Keisling

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Grant Strong of Clay County High School upon being named TSSAA Class A Mr. Basketball.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize those incredibly successful student athletes who have distinguished themselves as inspirational leaders among their peers; and

WHEREAS, for the second consecutive season, a statewide committee of sportswriters recently named Grant Strong, a senior at Clay County High School, TSSAA Class A Mr. Basketball based upon his outstanding performance on the hardwood during the 2021-2022 regular season; and

WHEREAS, his superior academic record and upstanding character were also taken into consideration when the committee selected Mr. Strong as the winner of this prestigious award, which honors the best Class A male basketball player in the entire State; and

WHEREAS, a 6-foot, 5-inch guard for the Clay County Bulldogs, Mr. Strong enjoyed a stellar season on the hardwood as he averaged 32.2 points, 9 rebounds, 3.2 assists, and 1.9 steals per game; and

WHEREAS, a tremendous athlete, Grant Strong scored 2,774 points during his high school career, including 1,000 points during his final season for the Bulldogs, as he became the first player from the Upper Cumberland to twice be honored with the prestigious title of Mr. Basketball; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Strong helped lead the Clay County Bulldogs to the state tournament for three consecutive years, including back-to-back Final Four appearances, and the program's first state championship in 2021; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Strong will continue his basketball career at the collegiate level in Tennessee after signing to play for Tennessee Technological University in Cookeville next season; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Strong exemplifies the spirit, determination, and perseverance for which Tennesseans are notable, and he is richly deserving of our approbation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Grant Strong of Clay County High School upon being named TSSAA Class A Mr. Basketball for the second consecutive year and wish him much continued success both on and off the court.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.